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## "ALIAS JIMMY VALENTINE"

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(Continued from yesterday.)

"Yes, I met him when he got off the 'rattler.' He's going to give you your orders, and you'll have to do as he tells you if you turn square. He knows you beat it. He was laying for Avery when he came out and told him to report once a month. And what about Avery? You sent him to me, and we've been at work on something."

"Where is Avery?" asked Valentine quickly.

"Want to see him?"

"Yes, I can explain better," Valentine crossed the parlor and peered through the portieres.

Red went to the opposite doorway and softly called, "Oh, Bill!"

Avery, dressed in a roughly cut ready made suit of clothes and looking in much better health than he did on the day he defied Detective Doyle and finished his term in Sing Sing, came slowly into the hotel parlor.

"Hello, Bill! You're taking a chance," greeted Valentine, "and you are, too, Red."

"I had to see you," returned Avery. "I have just been telling Red."

"Sure, I heard you hand out that 'square' talk. I suppose you want me to join you in this 'going straight' business, too, eh?"

"I don't think the crooked game is any good. And you are getting old for clever work."

"Think so, eh?" snarled Avery suspiciously.

"He isn't too old to be an 'outside man' with us," put in Red.

"We don't need any outside man any more, Red," decided Valentine.

Avery glared into the speaker's face.

"So you're out now, and you're going to turn Red and me out, eh? All this turning square talk I heard was a stall to get rid of me because I am old, eh?"

"I don't have to stall you, Avery."

The old thief leaned threateningly toward Valentine, shaking his withered fist as violently as the flabby muscles, sapped by years of prison air and prison fare, would permit.

"Like the d—!" he cried, choking in his wrath. "I'm old, that's your dope. Going to throw me for a rookie, eh? Well, I'll show you. When guys start stalling me I'll show them up. From now on I'm a copper, and I'll show you up, Valentine. I'll get you, too—I'll get you good!"

Red Flanagan had won a continent wide reputation as a "smooth worker." He was one of those painstaking, conscientious burglars who followed habitually the laudable practice of looking after details. His employers, among whom had been Jimmy Valentine, "Chicago Whitey" and other leaders in their profession, had in the past shown a flattering willingness to recommend him (not in their

own handwriting, to be sure) as a thorough artist, an untiring student and one who one day would probably revolutionize the business of caring for other people's money. In a word, Red was thorough, which means a great deal in his line.

So, true to his reputation, Red, fearing complications because of the pitch to which Avery had unconsciously raised his voice, had stepped behind the portieres to keep watch on the short hallway that led to it. This hallway opened out into the main hall of the hotel, at the far end of which was



"ONE JOB TO GET A STAKE AND I'LL GO YOU."

a carriage entrance. At the opposite side of the parlor was an exit leading to a dining room, which in turn had an opening directly next to the main entrance of the hotel. Red realized that a casual passerby might become suspicious of Avery's words should they be overheard. Besides, the implacable Doyle was in town. A friend of his, a "runner" for Doc Slater's faro bank, had so informed Red that very morning.

Red suddenly issued a warning hiss. "Duck, Avery! Here comes Doyle!"

The two thieves, having no opportunity to do better, hastily concealed themselves behind the portieres.

Valentine, very much disturbed, made an effort to calm himself. He seated himself beside a convenient table. He picked up a magazine and began to peruse its pages in seemingly unconcerned fashion.

"Hello, Jimmy!"

With these words Detective George Doyle entered the room. Garmented in the latest cut of fashionable clothing, panama hat and patent leather ties with batwing laces, he appeared the diletante, the man about town, rather than the tracker of desperate men—the man of leisure, every inch of him, an uninitiated observer would have pardonedly judged not only from his attire, but also from his debonair, blase manner. Any one describing Doyle as the man who broke up the "Five Points" gang and the "Why" gang in New York city would have been laughed at for his folly, yet such was his record. His work in scattering the troupes of election and primary day "floaters" and "repeaters" in some of the most respectable districts was equally meritorious.

And yet Doyle had his other side. He was growing fond of the easy life that came from having a staff of "stool pigeons" to do his work for him.

Jimmy Valentine turned his head slightly to answer Doyle, who, he well knew, came on no errand that would benefit a released prisoner.

"How are you, Doyle?" he replied indifferently.

Doyle's shifting, farsseing eyes, however, caught the nervous twitching of Valentine's fingers as they ran over the edges of the magazine.

"You're perfectly innocent now, I hear," went on Doyle, a sarcastic note coming into his voice.

"Perfectly," Valentine's voice was as even as though conversing with his most intimate friend.

"So you told the governor?" commented the detective.

"Oh, yes!"

"I've seen the governor too."

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COUNTY SEAT FIGHT

Bisbee, Ariz., Feb. 2.—At a mass meeting held in Fair hall for the purpose of collecting funds to defray the expenses of sending a delegation to Washington in the interest of a bill for the removal of the Cochise county seat from Tombstone to a point to be decided at an election, \$400 was raised in 10 minutes. Douglas is also after the county seat, the new location of which will, however, depend upon results of the next county election.

If Bisbee can raise a guarantee fund of \$3000, the International aviators will hold an aviation meet here on February 14. The board of trade yesterday took up the proposition, and it is believed that the meet can be secured.

Sheriff White and C. L. Delaney, former special agent of the Southwestern, left for Tombstone yesterday, with John Schmidt who will be placed in jail there, pending an investigation as to his sanity. The officers also had in charge several men who have been sentenced to imprisonment by the Bisbee courts.

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The winner of the New Jersey senatorial fight, James E. Martine. After a bitter campaign Martine, who was Gov. Wilson's choice, defeated ex-sen-



ator James Smith, Jr., who persisted in making a second bid for senatorial honors against the strongly opposed wishes of governor Wilson. Martine's election is a great victory for the governor who announced when he was inaugurated as governor that he would run and boss New Jersey politics. This is his first big political accomplishment.



"THAT'S A LIE! YOU KNOW WHERE HE IS."

LITTLE knowing of the serious conspiracy that was forming but a few yards away behind the thick velvet curtains, Valentine gave verbal and mental battle to the detective. Already he was beginning to see that the way of the transgressor was hard not only while he was in the legal toils, but also after he became free and supposedly in a position to build a new life if he so desired. But Jimmy Valentine was only at the beginning of a knowledge of the conditions and trials and setbacks he must face, for so long as men make laws and administer them so long will the guilty and the innocent justly and sometimes unjustly. This also is a law of life.

Valentine went on to insist that he didn't know where Avery was, hadn't seen him since his release from Sing Sing, was glad of it, didn't care where he was and didn't purpose to care. Of all this he was absolutely sure.

"Well," stated Doyle, "he held up a citizen just three days after he got out, and I want him."

"And I'm to tell you where he is and you will send him up for highway robbery?" questioned Valentine.

"The man he stuck up may die."

"And you expect me to hunt him up and deliver him to you?"

"And you are going to. That's the odd part of it. And possibly I'll make an eyewitness out of you."

"It would be odd if I sent Avery

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